

Cache Peak Civic Association  
Minutes September 2, 2010

Attending:

Trenton Durfee	Austin Udy	Denise Stanger
Adrienne Shilling	Steve Ward	Brenda Davis
Sherida Lloyd	Juanita Jones	Tonya Ward
Rob Davis	Bonnie Tracy	Nicole Erickson
DeeJay Stanger	Jason Tracy	Stan Lloyd
Brady Bennett	Kent Durfee	Janis Durfee
George Darrington	Teresa Durfee	Sadie Udy
Chalet Ward	Kenny Loughmiller	Chelsey Loughmiller

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by George Darrington. Tom Harper and Sadie Udy weren't present, so the minutes and the treasurer's report were not given. There was no old business. George turned the time over to Denise Stanger for a discussion of concerns about the Malta Bus Route.

Denise explained that a petition had been placed in the Tracy General Store requesting that the Malta school bus only stop at two places in Almo: The Tracy General Store and the Cassia County Road Shed. There would also be only two stops in Elba.

There was much discussion for and against the petition. Denise suggested that the group come up with some ideas that could perhaps provide some common ground to solve the problem of the long bus ride.

Discussion included:

1. Cut the stops in Malta which would relieve overcrowding of the Almo/Elba bus
2. Disciplinary action by the bus driver should be handled with parents over the telephone or at school, not by stopping the bus on en route to school.
3. No waiting for children at their home stops. If children are not ready, they will be left.
4. Have children ready early so if someone doesn't ride, the bus doesn't have to wait along the route.
5. Have the kids at Connor Creek picked up by a Malta Bus
6. Reverse the Bus route through Bridge with Elba being dropped off last
7. The bus driver believes that she should not leave a child even if she has to wait.
8. The bus driver could lose her insurance coverage if too much time is cut off or her route
9. Response: Perhaps the district could help her get the extra time in to keep her insurance
10. When there are activities in which extra children ride the bus, it is overcrowded.
11. State law says that the driver is not to leave the bus. Sometimes the driver gets off the bus when she is upset about the lack of discipline.
12. The district policy for discipline on the bus should be enforced

The group determined four suggestions that could be agreed upon.

1. See if a bus from Malta could pick up the children living east of the Knight's.
2. Suggest that Don \_\_\_\_\_, bus supervisor, enforce a thirty second rule with anyone not waiting at the bus stop to be left.
3. Talk to Don about overcrowding issues on the Malta Bus.
4. Have Don review the district disciplinary actions with the bus driver and have her follow those guidelines.

George summarized the discussion.

- Reminded attendees of the importance of the Cache Peak Civic Association as a forum for discussion and encouraged them to become members.
- Suggested that an explanatory letter with signatures of the interested parties be sent to the bus supervisor.
- Invite the bus supervisor to meet with CPCA and interested parties. "The more he is required to respond to us as an organization and commit to his responsibility, the more likely the supervisor is to follow through.
- The supervisor could make some positive changes by working with the bus driver about disciplinary and lateness issues.
- The alternatives should be examined carefully. If changes are made and don't work, it would be extremely hard to change it back.
- Changes likely can't be made until next year so there is time to research and discuss the issue
- Whether for or against the proposed route change, a discussion helps everyone see more of the issue.

Janis reported that the auditor's office showed that the Raft River Bookmobile contract with Box Elder County had been paid, leaving several thousand dollars in the fund.

The IRS had sent a request for a 99n form to be filled out in order for the tax exempt status to be kept. That form had been filed and accepted.

The Idaho Community Foundation requested that a letter of determination be submitted as part of the application for a bookmobile grant. She hadn't been able to locate the letter of determination and had sent for a copy from the IRS.

Dee Jay Stanger moved that the meeting be adjourned and Brenda Davis seconded the motion. George adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM